

## AGREEMENT MADE

United States and Japan Settle a Point or Two.

### STATUS OF JAPANESE AFTER 1899

In Event of Annexation They May Become Electors After Naturalization.

WASHINGTON, February 3.—Japan has been removed as an element in the opposition to the consummation of the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands by the United States. This result has been attained by the conclusion of an agreement between our Government and that of Japan, as represented by Minister Tani Hoshi, which, by practically settling the status of the Japanese in Hawaii, removes the only substantial difference that has existed between the two governments.

The Japanese Government, for its part, announced some time ago that it no longer cared to interpose any objection to the annexation of Hawaii. Since that time the correspondence between Mr. Hoshi and the State Department has been directed to a satisfactory settlement of the status of the resident Japanese in Hawaii, and this last point has now been adjusted, so far as the executive branch of our Government is capable of acting independently, the agreement being reduced to the shape of a written memorandum.

This document goes into effect in July next year, and, among other things, it confers upon Japanese within the territory of the United States all of the rights accorded to the citizens of the most favored nation, which, of course, carries with it rights of naturalization and the exercise of the rights of franchise. Presuming that annexation is effected, the Japanese in Hawaii will, in 1899, have the same rights as those in the present limits of the United States. All that remains to be fixed is the status of the Japanese during the time that must elapse between the ratification of the annexation treaty and the beginning of the operations of the Japanese treaty of 1899.

#### IN THE FAR EAST.

England Proposes to Maintain Her Strong Position.

LONDON, February 3.—According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, published today, two British war ships entered Port Arthur yesterday and left without anchoring.

The China Gazette says the British Indian, Australian and Pacific squadrons have been ordered to be ready to re-enforce the fleet in the Far East, thus giving the British Admiral a fleet capable of coping with "any combination opposing British policy."

In the meantime, adds the China Gazette, the British claims in the Yangtse-Kiang will be supported by a strong squadron stationed at Chusan, to which place two other war ships are en route. In the event of Russia hoisting her flag over the forts at Port Arthur the British Admiral has been ordered to raise the British flag over Chusan and the Japanese will ascend the Yangtse-Kiang as soon as the river rises.

About 7,500 Russian artillery and cavalry and quantities of stores and munitions have arrived at Kirin, the capital of the Manchurian province of Kirin.

#### STORMS IN NEW ENGLAND.

Three Feet of Snow With Great Damage and Loss of Life.

BOSTON, February 2.—The New England coast is covered with the fragments of wrecked vessels, and 32 corpses have been cast ashore by the roaring surf. As many more sailors are missing and doubtless have found graves in the ocean. Wires are down in many places, small buildings are in ruins. The loss will exceed a million dollars. Conservative estimates place the total number of dead at 40.

Fully a hundred vessels, mainly small finishing craft and coasting schooners, were torn to pieces in the storm. The storm in the vicinity of Cape Ann was the worst ever experienced. The beach is strewn with wrecks and many corpses have been picked up.

The cost of the storm in this city is estimated at \$1,429,000, including loss to business.

The loss in New England is estimated at \$10,000,000.

#### DEATH IN THE KLONDIKE.

Hundreds of People Destitute—Gold Bubble Burst.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—Captain P. H. Ray, Eighth Infantry, the Army officer sent to the Yukon region to investigate the condition of the miners there, has at last been heard from. His official reports, a synopsis of which was received by telegraph tonight by Adjutant-General Samuel Breck from General Merriam, Commanding the Department of the Columbia, confirm the stories of the robbery of food caches and give the first account of the complete bursting of the gold bubble.

Major Carter, Assistant Adjutant-General, gave this statement concerning the contents of General Merriam's dispatch:

"Special Courier E. H. Wells brought several packages and letters from Captain P. H. Ray. The latest are dated November 2d and 3d. He recommends

that steps be taken to check the immigration of persons not supplied with food sufficient to last at least two years. There is no way for a man to earn a living in the Yukon region. No new placers have been discovered in eight months. There is no employment for any large number of people. Captain Ray thinks that only a very small percentage of all the people who have entered the new country during the past year have earned their living. Hundreds are scattered along the Yukon without money, food or clothing. Any steps which may be taken to prevent people from going to Alaska, Captain Ray thinks, will be an act of charity. The lawless element is banding together along the river for robbery. Captain Ray reports the attempted robbery of food caches. He recommends a survey by Cook's inlet to the interior for an American road."

#### CANNOT CLAIM ISLAND.

State Department Says Clipperton Is No Part of U. S.

WASHINGTON, January 28.—The State Department has rendered an opinion that the Oceanic Phosphate Company has no valid claim to the guano deposits of Clipperton Island; that the United States has never had any basis for a claim to the island. In addition to this the Oceanic company has never perfected its own filing upon the phosphates. Secretary Sherman says in his letter to Senator Perkins, announcing the decision, that France has claimed the island by reason of discovery in 1709 and by the raising of her flag over the island in 1858. Going further, it is said that statutes governing such cases have not been complied with in the case of Clipperton Island, and consequently there is no standing for the United States and the California corporation.

In explanation of the decision there is inclosed a letter from Assistant Secretary Adee to the Post Office Department, written in 1895, when there was a question of extending the postal service to Clipperton Island. It set forth that in 1892 Frederick W. Permain of San Francisco filed an affidavit setting forth that on July 4, 1892, while on the schooner Caleb Curtis, he discovered a deposit of guano on an island put down on the charts as Clipperton Island. Soon after Shafter Howard, as president of the Stomington Phosphate Company, filed three affidavits setting forth Permain's discovery and saying that, though this was not the first time the island had been touched, yet Permain was the first man to land in years, and undoubtedly found guano.

In May, 1893, Melvin Chapman, as president of the Oceanic Phosphate Company, laid claim to the island under Permain's discovery and assignment, but nothing on file at the department showed the change of interests. No further action was taken after this, so the State Department held that there was no claim to the island by the United States and no mail service was necessary.

#### France Owns Clipperton.

The State Department at Washington decided on January 28, that the United States has no claim to Clipperton Island although F. W. Permain of San Francisco found guano there in 1892. The French flag was raised on the island in 1858, following its discovery by a French subject in 1709. Secretary Sherman asserts there is positively no standing for the United States and the California corporation claiming the island.

#### FAST RUN BY A TRAIN.

An Engine and Two Mail Cars Make Phenomenal Speed.

DENVER, February 1.—A special to the Republican from Cheyenne, Wyo., says: A phenomenal railroad run was made today between this place and Omaha on the Union Pacific. The east bound passenger was delayed by a broken engine and in order to get the United States mail to Omaha for its Eastern connections a special train of an engine and two mail cars were made up here for a fast run. The train left here at 7:45 this morning and reached Omaha at 3:45 this afternoon, a record of 517 miles in eight hours flat, the fastest long-distance run recorded. The run from North Platt to Omaha, 290½ miles, was made in 246 minutes.

#### ALL BACK PRINCE GEORGE.

Russia, France and England Want to Govern Crete.

BERLIN, February 3.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Frankfort Zeitung says Russia, France and Great Britain have agreed to insist upon the candidature of Prince George of Greece for the Governorship of Crete and are ready to enforce it should the Sultan prove obdurate. Prince George, the correspondent asserts, has been so informed and is ready to depart for Crete under the tripartite protection.

#### Teller Resolution Gone.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—Beneath a majority of 50, the House today buried the Teller resolution. Just as party lines were broken in the Senate, so there was a little break in the lower house. Two Democrats voted with the Republican majority, which in turn lost two when Linney of North Carolina voted with the silver man, and White (colored) of the same State answered "Present." That there might be no question as to how every man of the Administration party stood, Speaker Reed has his name called, and amid the applause of his fellows, voted "No."

#### FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

PEKING, February 1.—The Tsung-Li-Yamen proposes to divide the new loan equally between Great Britain and Russia.

The trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, who shot into the crowd of striking miners, is in progress in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

BERLIN, January 31.—The health of Prince Bismarck is improving. There has been a marked diminution in his pain and insomnia.

HAVANA, February 2.—The insurgents have dynamited a passenger train near Guara, partly destroying the engine and derailing the cars.

The Market-Street cars in San Francisco are all to be equipped with fenders. This was authorized at a meeting of the Directors held February 3.

BOMBAY, February 4.—The number of deaths from the plague for the last seven days is 927, as against 834 for the previous corresponding period.

BERLIN, January 31.—The Reichstag today adopted the measure increasing the salary of Prince Hohenlohe, the Imperial Chancellor, to 100,000 marks.

ISHPEMING, Mich., February 3.—The advance in wages February 1st at the Carnegie mills of Ironwood, averaging 10 per cent, was made general through the district.

H. C. Frick, the partner of Andrew Carnegie, has authorized the purchase of a \$100,000 painting which he is to present to the Carnegie Library of the City of Pittsburgh, Pa.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 3.—Details received today from Balkers show that 20 persons were killed and 50 injured by the recent earthquake at that place and at Brusa.

MADRID, February 3.—The cost of the Cuban war from February, 1895, to the end of 1897, is officially estimated at \$240,000,000, besides the arrears due from the Cuban treasury, amounting to \$40,000,000.

LONDON, February 2.—Storms are prevailing throughout Great Britain, and railroad trains have been greatly delayed. Severe gales have swept the coast, and worst weather is predicted for tonight, with severe cold.

NEW YORK, January 31.—More than \$90,000,000 of Government, State and railroad bonds have been sold during this month, compared with \$38,138,000 for the same month last year. This is the highest monthly record in history.

PRETORIA, February 2.—A Government inspector who paid a visit recently to a diamond mine near Pretoria is convinced of a genuine discovery. He saw diamonds unearthed in a formation similar to the Kimberley diamonds.

CHISTIANIA, February 3.—The Storting (legislative body) will open February 10th. The Dagbladet believes the Hagerup Ministry will resign and that the former Premier, Steen, will be intrusted with the task of forming a Cabinet.

CARTHAGENA, Spain, January 29.—The first-class armored cruiser Vizcaya has started for America. The rest of the Spanish squadron is preparing to sail for Havana. The ironclad Cristobal will accompany the torpedo flotilla latter.

CHICAGO, February 1.—President Hart of the Chicago Baseball Club, broke the long spell of silence which he has hitherto maintained about the Anson case and tonight spoke freely about the disposition of the matter. Anson will be retired.

Judge Hagner of the Equity Court of the District of Columbia has granted an injunction restraining the Treasurer of the United States from paying money to the Providence Hospital. His ruling is that it is unconstitutional for Congress to appropriate money for sectarian institutions.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—Encouraged by the excellent effort of the visit of the battle-ship Maine to Havana, the Administration has determined to send another man-of-war upon a friendly visit to the smaller Cuban ports. The vessel selected is the cruiser Montgomery, which is now taking on board a supply of coal at Key West.

WASHINGTON, February 3.—United States Minister Bellamy Storer reports to the State Department that the total exportation of raw sugar from Belgium in 1897, was 394,787,610 pounds, of which 134,723,208 came to the United States. The exportation of refined sugar was 125,635,235 pounds, and of this 1,162,608 known as pulverized came to the United States.

WASHINGTON, February 1.—Lester A. Beardslee, Rear Admiral of the United States Navy, was retired today on account of age. He was the second ranking officer in the Navy and at the date of his retirement was stationed in Washington as president of the Examining and Retiring Board. His last service was in command of the Pacific station, and he was at Honolulu when the crisis came in the Island government.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 31.—Assemblyman Weeks of New York city startled the Assembly and its 2,000 spectators today by the introduction of a resolution censuring and requesting the resignation of Edward Murphy, Jr., senior United States Senator from this State, for voting for the Teller

silver resolution. It was made a special order for 8:30 o'clock on next Monday evening.

LONDON, February 3.—On incontrovertible authority the Associated Press learns that Great Britain has not "backed down" on the question of making Tallien-wan a free port. The Marquis of Salisbury, Mr. Curzon (the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office), the Russian Ambassador and the Chinese Minister each said yesterday in conversation that they had not heard of any back down.

According to a cable from London, ex-Empress Eugenie is breaking down physically. As her constitution is not robust, her condition alarms her friends. She suffered from severe chest trouble early in the winter and of late has been a martyr to inflammatory rheumatism. For the first time since the death of Napoleon III, she was this year unable to attend the memorial mass at the Riviera Mausoleum, although she begged to be carried on a cot. Queen Victoria receives daily reports of her less fortunate sister's condition.

#### HAWAII AT YALE.

Fifth Annual Banquet of the Islands Students.

The fifth annual banquet of the Yale Hawaiian Club was held January 19th, and was a quite pretentious affair. The dinner was of the "swell" order, the menu including many delicacies. More interesting, however, is the toast list, as follows:

Toastmaster.....A. D. Baldwin  
"Haste thee, nymph, and bring with thee  
Jest, and youthful jollity."  
Congress and Hawaii.....Bingham  
"The time has come," the walrus said,  
"To talk of many things."

Lewis Carroll.  
If Annexation should Fail.....Judd, Sr.  
"I tell you, Bill, there's going to be hell to pay."

Lost on Diamond Head.  
Hawaii at Harvard.....Castle  
"Here's to Johnny Harvard,  
Fill her up—a full glass."  
Things I am Opposed to—Violently  
"A youth bursting with turbulent  
speech,  
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Mr. Sewall will leave for his new post of duty some time during the present month; meanwhile Mr. Douglas is in charge of the New York office.

#### Theatrical.

Harry Corson Clarke, the favorite Honolulu comedian, has his own company now according to plans, but will not bring it to this place. Instead of playing repertoire, the troupe will confine all its work to the one play "What Happened to Jones," written especially for Mr. Clarke. This information comes to Walter M. Giffard, of W. G. Irwin & Co. Mr. McVillie Marks, who represents the big firm now practically controlling all Coast theatricals, writes from Butte. He is still very friendly to Honolulu, but at present has no attraction to offer the opera house.

#### In Five Years.

The following members have during this week, completed five years of service in the National Guard of Hawaii:

First Sergeant C. H. Atherton, Co. B; Sergeant W. C. Weedon, Co. B; Musician C. S. Hall, Co. B; Private E. Olsen, Co. B; Private James Shorin, Co. B; Private J. Powell, Co. B; Sergeant D. F. Thrum, Co. B; Private A. F. Cooke, Co. B; Private Joaquin Ferreira, Co. C.

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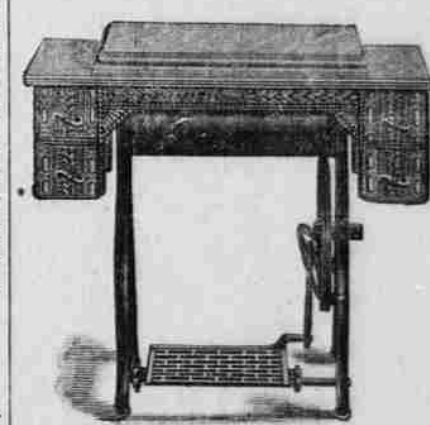
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